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**AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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July 28, 2005

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 29, 2005, the period for reply thereto being extended one month by the attached Petition for Extension of Time to expire July 29, 2005, reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejections and allowance of the present application are respectfully requested in view of the following amendments and remarks.

**Amendments to the Specification and Abstract** begin on page 2.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 3.

**Amendments to the Drawings** describing changes to drawings shown in the Appendix are on page 9.

**Remarks** are included following the amendments.

An **Appendix** including amended drawing figures is attached following the Remarks.